villages being sold and some being resumed by Government. If greater consideration is not shown, the Jodidars will be ruined. Valuation should be made with reference to actual present revenue and not prospective revenue.

Dewan's reply.—The rules are fair enough. Where they are misapplied or operate with special hardship, represent by petition and the Deputy Commissioner will examine and report to Government if necessary.

Subject No. 329.

Special arrangements during Camp of Exercise.

Summary of discussion.—"Camps of Exercise" are held in this Taluk for two months every year during the last two or three years and it is rumoured that this would be the case every year in the future also. They are held at a season of the year when the Taluk and the Huzur Jamabandis are held and when raiyats have much business to transact with Revenue Officers in connection with *darkhasts* and various other matters which require prompt attention and disposal which however they cannot receive if the Taluk Establishments are required to attend to these Camps of Exercise. Arrangements should be made to depute special officers to attend to the requirements of these Camps of Exercise so that the regular work of Taluk Cutcherries may not get dislocated or delayed.

Dewan's reply.—This will be done. A Special Officer will be deputed.

Subject No. 330.

Irrigation cess on dry Inam lands cultivated with wet and garden crop.

Summary of discussion.—Irrigation cess is levied on dry Inam lands on which wet and garden crops are grown by the aid of private wells.

Dewan's reply.—Wrong. Represent in individual cases by petition.

Subject No. 331.

Taluk Sheristadars as Ex-officio Sub-Registrars.

Summary of discussion.—Taluk Sheristadars have lately been appointed ex-officio Sub-Registrars and Amildars take no part in Registration work. This causes inconvenience. The former state of things should be restored.

Dewan's reply.—No.

Subject No. 332.

Total assessment in detailed field Survey of Inam villages to tally with the valuation by Block Survey.

Summary of discussion.—By a detailed Survey Settlement of Jodi villages, the total assessment often becomes much less than the Survey valuation by Block Survey. In such cases Jodidars are put to heavy loss. Orders should be passed that the total assessment by the detailed field Survey and Settlement should be made to tally with the valuation fixed by Block Survey with freedom to increase the former if the lands have been improved subsequent to Block Survey by irrigation works or otherwise but in no case to lessen it.

Dewan's reply.—The Inamdar's opinion will be taken and considered by the Survey Department. At the intro-

duction of the detail Survey and Settlement. If the settlement which will be finally proposed be not acceptable to the Inamdar, he can withdraw his application.

Subject No. 333.

Revenue Petitions to be disposed of in the presence of parties on fixed dates.

Summary of discussion.—As revenue petitions or appeals are disposed of in the absence of petitioners, and on perusal of the records presented by one of the parties, there is risk of injustice by the absence of opportunity to the opposite party to represent his case. Therefore in such cases dates should be fixed for deciding such matters in the presence of all the parties concerned. Final orders in the highest Court also in Revenue matters should not be passed on the previous records merely, but parties should have an opportunity of representing their cases.

Dewan's reply.—Parties are heard in almost all cases. But this cannot be done in every case invariably.

Subject No. 334.

Poppy cultivation.

Summary of discussion.—It was represented in 1890 that the discontinuance under Chief Commissioner's Proceedings No. 5903-11—Rev. 1035, dated 4th February 1880, of poppy cultivation which used formerly to be carried on in some of the Taluks of the Bangalore and Kolar Districts (*viz.*, Chikballapur, Devanhalli, Hoskote, Sidlaghatta and Malur) had resulted in the annual loss of over a lakh of rupees to the raiyats and application was made for the restoration of the cultivation on condition that the poppy growers do not sell their opium to any but licensed vendors. The Dewan's reply was that the Opium Act and Rules thereunder allowed poppy cultivation under certain conditions, that the representation would be considered and needful orders given and further that the Excise Commissioner would be requested to draw up and submit a memorandum on the subject for the orders of Government. As nothing has yet been done in the matter, steps should be taken early.

Dewan's reply.—The permission of the Government of India is necessary for poppy cultivation.

Subject No. 335.

Convenient arrangement for Railway travelling.

Summary of discussion.—It is well known that Railway passengers have to travel with baggage and food with them. In the absence of any other kind of distinction than separate carriages for men and women, passengers are put to much restraint and even trouble. Government should be pleased to discuss this question during the Dasara Meeting and obtaining the opinion of the Representatives, arrange for the convenience of travellers, just as compartments are reserved for European and Eurasian passengers, compartments should be reserved for High Caste Hindus also and the rule prohibiting smoking, &c., strictly enforced.

Dewan's reply.—More cannot be done than what is being done for the convenience of passengers.